

REMARKS

The Office Action of January 13, 2004 has been carefully considered.

The drawings have been objected to on the basis that reference numeral 18a is not shown, and on the basis that reference numeral 18' is not described in the specification. Applicant has now submitted a proposed amendment to Figure 2 in which element "18'" has been changed to "18a." As amended, the drawing is now consistent with the specification. Entry of this corrected drawing is requested.

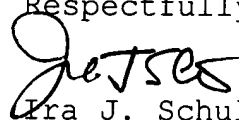
The specification has been amended to delete the reference to claim 10.

Claims 1-17 have been objected to on the basis that claim 1 depends from claims 10-17, and claim 1 has been amended so that it does not make any reference to claims 10-17.

It is noted that a proper Information Disclosure Statement was part of the Preliminary Amendment which accompanied the filing of this application, and it is requested that the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement be made of record.

Examination of claims 1-17 on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Annotated Marked-Up Drawing

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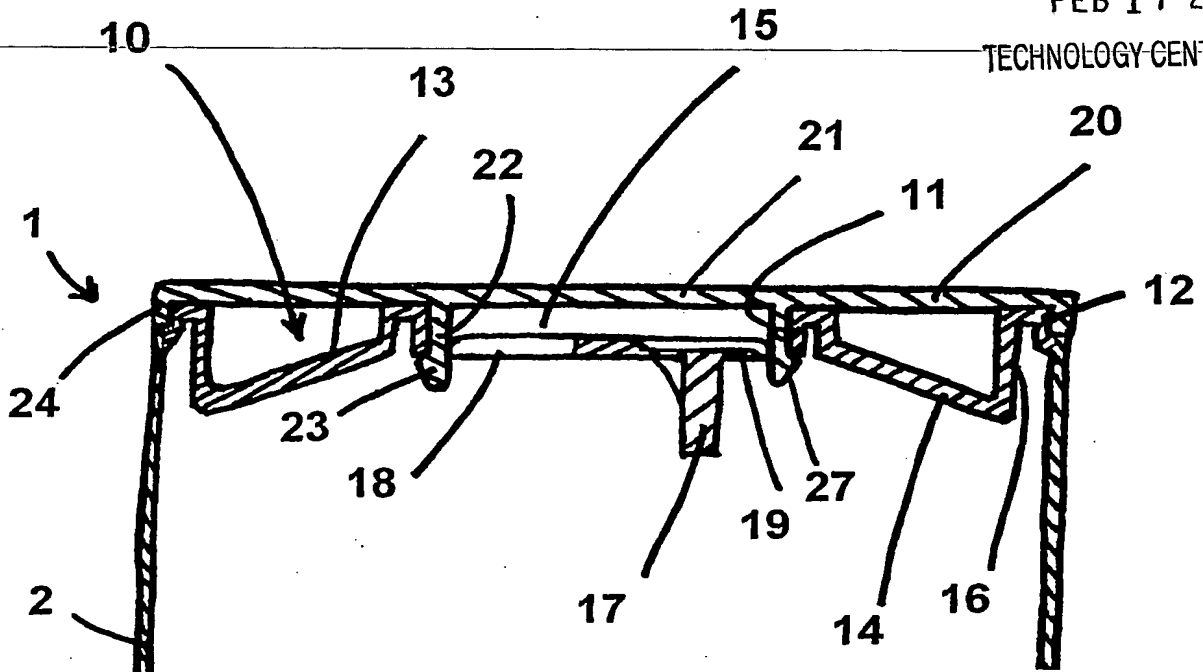


Fig. 1

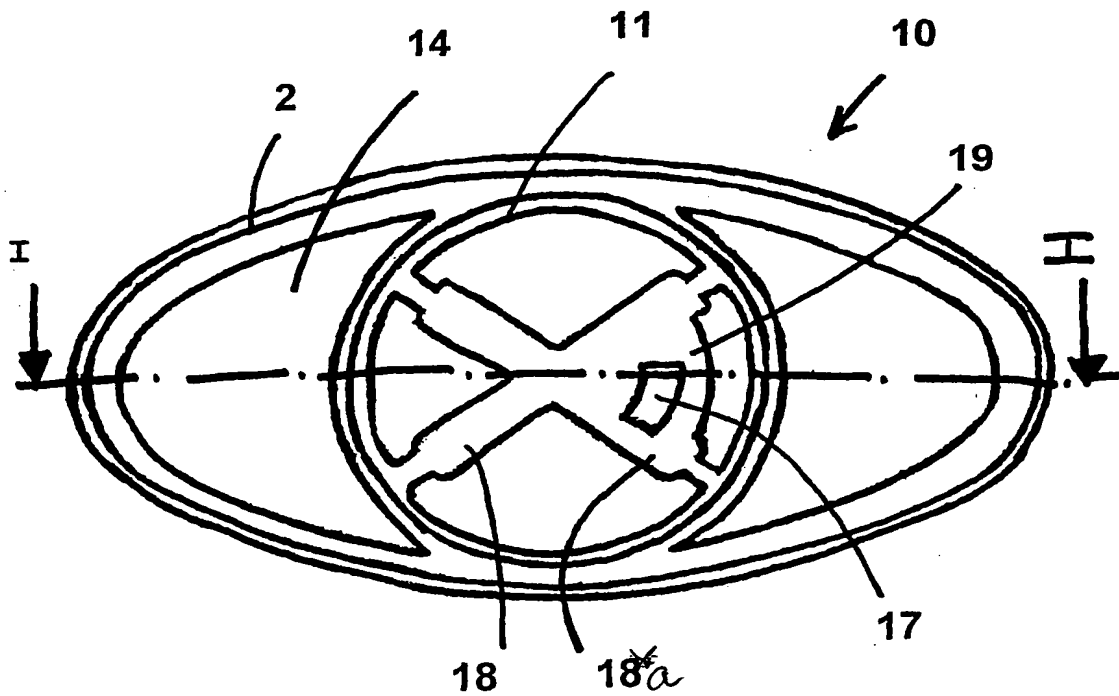


Fig. 2